

UPDATED Sexual Battery and False Imprisonment

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Incident: ***UPDATED*** Sexual Battery and False Imprisonment

Contact: Watch Commander, 805-339-4416

Location: Grant Park, 699 Brakey Rd

Date/Time Occurred: 1-25-15 / 1540 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol

Victim: Adult Female, Name withheld

Suspect:***UPDATED*** David Sanchez, 20 years, Ventura Resident (picture included below)

Report #: 15-01190

Narrative:

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The Ventura Police Department Detectives continued their investigation into this crime and were able to identify David Sanchez as a person of interest. The victim positively identified Sanchez as the suspect. Today at approximately 0915 hrs, detectives and Ventura Police patrol officers conducted a search warrant at Sanchez's residence in the 200 Block of Rosewood Ave. Sanchez was taken into custody after he attempted to flee from the residence. He was later booked into the Ventura County Jail for sexual battery.

Detectives are continuing to investigate this incident and believe there are possibly other victims that have not come forward. If you have been a victim of a crime and recognize Sanchez, please contact Detective Corporal Sutherland at 339-4467.

Original Narrative:

On the above date/time, the victim called 911 and reported to the Ventura Police Communication Center that she was running on the Botanical Garden trails at Grant Park, near Brakey Rd and was slapped on the buttocks by an unknown suspect. Officer's arrived on scene within minutes and attempted to locate the suspect but were unsuccessful.

During the investigation the victim said she was running near on the Botanical Garden trails near Brakey Road and ran past the suspect who was seated next to the path. The suspect reached out and slapped the victim on the buttocks. The victim quickly turned around and faced the suspect and took a fighting stance when the suspect grabbed her wrists and held her and would not let her go. It was not until she tried to kick the suspect that the suspect let go of the victim and ran off towards the Cross area.

It was later learned during the investigation that the same suspect, 3 months prior, had confronted this same victim. During that incident the suspect followed the victim for about a quarter mile on the Botanical Garden Trails and made several vulgar comments about the victim. The victim yelled at the suspect and he fled the area. This incident went unreported to the Ventura Police Department till today.

The Victim also told officers she saw the suspect again 3 weeks ago but was able to avoid him and there was no communication or confrontation between the victim and suspect.

The victim was not injured during today's incident.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. The Ventura Police Department is seeking information on this incident and any additional Sexual Battery's in this location. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact the Ventura Police Department at 339-4309.

Sanchez:

